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Bukhovo Uranium Mines

1. Soviet-operated uranium mines are located at Bukhovo village, Novoseltsi district, approximately 20 to 25 kilometers east of Sofia. The mines were discovered, but not exploited, by the Germans prior to 1944.
2. The miners, all of whom are Bulgarian, live in the heavily guarded mine area and receive more pay than other workers. All other mine personnel are Soviet and live in Sofia.
3. Ore from the mines is loaded on freight cars at the Yana or Stolnik rail stations on the Sofia-Makotsevo railroad line and exported to the USSR.
4. The Sofia administrative offices for the Bukhovo mines are located close together in three large buildings. One 2-story and one 4-story are adjacent at No. 10 and No. 12 Vurbitsa Street and one 2-story house with a garden is at No. 42 Oborishte Street. All employees in these buildings are said to be Soviet.

Power Plants and Dams

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5. One of the sources of electricity for Sofia is the thermoelectric power plant which is located approximately 150 meters south of Kurilo (N4250 E2319), Sofia district.
6. The Stalin Dam is being built at the narrowest point on the Iskur River, upstream from Pancharevo (N4235 E2324), Sofia district. The villages of Kalkovo, Shishmanovo, and Gorni Pasarel are to be completely flooded and Dolni Pasarel is to be partially flooded; it is believed that the villages will be evacuated in 1953. A hydroelectric plant is located on the Iskur River at Pancharevo village.

Medicine Factories

7. A State medicine factory is located on Antin I Street in Sofia, between Tsar Simeon and Pirotska Streets.
8. A medical laboratory which produces its own medicines is located on Lomska Street between Kiril i Metodii and Tsar Simeon Streets in Sofia.

Gunpowder Plants

9. There are two gunpowder plants near Sofia. One is located four kilometers south of Vladaya (N4238 E2312), 15 to 17 kilometers west of Sofia, at the foot of Vitosha Mountain. Approximately 800 to 1,000 meters north of the gunpowder factory is a cotton textile factory.
10. The second gunpowder plant, consisting of one small 2-story and several small 1-story buildings, is located on the edge of the Momkova Makhala quarter and north of the Nadezhda quarter of Sofia. The factory is on the outskirts of Sofia adjacent to the areas belonging to the Vrubnitsa, Mramor, and Mirovyanе villages. The only nearby buildings are shacks.

Ammunition Stores

11. In May 1951, an underground store of ammunition was located in a level field along the Sofia-Dragalevtsi (N4238 E2319) road two kilometers from Sofia. Only two small, inconspicuous buildings, which were under guard, were visible above ground.
12. A large military ammunition store is located at a narrow point on the Sofia-Plovdiv rail line approximately one and one-half kilometers south of Kostenets (N4215 E2350), Ikhtiman district. The area is heavily guarded and the stores are said to be underground.

Rubber Plant

13. The rubber plant in Kyrilo village, Sofia district, is a 2- or 3-story building which has a stack approximately 20 meters high. The factory employs between 200 and 300 workers and manufactures hoses, tires, boots, shoes, and shoe soles.

Sofia Paper Mill

14. A paper mill occupying approximately two and one-half to three and one-half acres of land and employing approximately 1,000 workers in three shifts is located south of Sofia and north of Knyazhevo. It is east of the Sofia-Knyazhevo highway and streetcar line, at the point where the streetcar line to Gorna Banya leaves the highway and branches off toward the northwest.

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15. The mill was nationalized in 1947 and is managed completely by Bulgarian officials; there are no Soviet personnel. There is no railroad nearby and all transportation is by truck.
16. Large quantities of pine and beech logs are stored at the factory. Manufactured products consist of writing paper, wrapping paper, cartons, banknote paper, and varieties of special paper.

Miscellaneous Factories

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- a. Brick factories, located in Bogrov village on the Sofia-Botevgrad-Pleven highway;
- b. Soap, oil, and chemical factories, located in Kostinbrod (N4249 E2313) on the Sofia-Dragoman highway;
- c. Chemical factory, cotton textile factory, and two unidentified factories, located in Voenna Rampa on the Sofia-Vratsa-Vidin highway;
- d. The Zebra Rubber Factory, located east of the Kürilo railroad station at Svetovrachene village, Sofia district, on the Sofia-Vratsa-Vidin highway;
- e. The Bakish Rubber Factory, located in Ilyantsi village on the Sofia-Vratsa-Vidin highway;
- f. A cement factory, adjacent to the Patanovtsi railroad station on the Sofia-Vratsa-Vidin highway;
- g. The Asen Zlatarov Chemical Factory and an unidentified tannery, located one or one and one-half kilometers south of the Iskăr railroad station on the west bank of the Iskăr River;
- h. A match factory and a paper mill, located near Kostenets railroad station, four kilometers north of Kostenets village, Ikhtiman district; and
- i. A rubber plant (see paragraph 13) and two unidentified factories, located in Kürilo village, Sofia district.

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